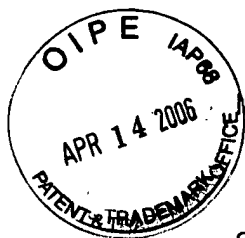


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Sir:

Submitted herewith is one corrected drawing sheet. Explanation for the correction is found in the accompanying Amendment. Entry is respectfully requested.

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